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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to and including June 4, 2002 to respond to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2001. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$920.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2). as itemized on the Fee Transmittal Sheet enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425.

Respectfully submitted,

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